Sign Up to Save a Life

(Helena) — The Governor's Office of Community Service (OCS) in partnership with the Northwest Living Legacy Foundation will host a day devoted to encouraging Montanans to save a life through organ and tissue donation.

According to the foundation nearly 90,000 people nationally, including over 1,200 in the Pacific Northwest, are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant. Half will die waiting because not enough people register to be organ donors.

Speakers include Lt. Governor John Bohlinger, Sightlife State Director Jennifer Knight and Northwest Living Legacy Foundation Education Director Molly Schoeb.

Participants will receive a resource guide, DVD, brochures and bright green organ donor bracelets.

According to Linda Carlson, Executive Director of OCS, "Montana is receiving a national award for its high level of donor participation" which she will be accepting from the Northwest Living Legacy Foundation in Seattle on April 19. "However," she said, "there are still more people in need of donors."

Montanans interested in learning more can participate in the following locations on April 11, beginning at 1:15 PM:

- o Great Falls, College of Technology, 2100 16th Ave So Room, B133
- o Havre, MSU Northern 300 11th Street West, Hagener Science Center, Room 202
- Kalispell, Flathead Valley Community College, 777 Grandview Drive, Learning Resource Center, Room 120
- o Missoula, Gallagher Building, corner of Arthur and Eddy, Room 104
- o Helena, Old Livestock Building in the Capitol complex

Or visit the www.livinglegacyregistry.org